## STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; according to the American Cancer Society, prostate cancer is the second leading cancer among men in the United States, and approximately one in eight men will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS; the American Cancer Society further estimates that more than 288,000 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in the United States—including 5,800 new cases in Wisconsin—in 2023, resulting in an estimated 34,700 deaths nationwide and 730 deaths in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; earlier stages of the disease usually have no symptoms, and the five-year survival rate for prostate cancer nears 100 percent when diagnosed and treated early but, unfortunately, drops to approximately 30 percent if it spreads to the bones and other parts of the body; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins patients, survivors, healthcare professionals, and dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in spreading awareness of prostate cancer and in supporting continued research into improved screening methods, diagnoses, treatments, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 2023 as

## PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 11th day of August 2023.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

SARAH OODLEWSKI Secretary of State